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THIS WEEK ON WORLD OF RADIO 1039: See topic summary at  
<http://www.angelfire.com/ok/worldofradio/wor1039.html>

RADIO ENLACE: Nuestro primer informe DX de junio se transmite el  
viernes 9 y domingo 11.

WORLD OF RADIO AND CONTINENT OF MEDIA  
SHORTWAVE-ONLY SCHEDULE AS OF JUNE 10, 2000

Days and times strictly UT. RFPI 25930-USB went off May 19 and the  
USB transmitter may not be back for some time, as the present unit  
may be converted to AM for X-band. RFPI frequency usage is flexible,  
so check each beyond the hours shown.

Wed 2330 WOR WBCQ1 7415  
Thu 2030 WOR WWCW 15685  
Fri 0930 WOR WWCW 7435  
Fri 1900 COM RFPI 15049  
Fri 1930 WOR RFPI 15049  
Fri 2030 WOR WBCQ2 9330-CUSB [irregular]  
Sat 0300 COM RFPI 15049 6970  
Sat 0330 WOR RFPI 15049 6970  
Sat 0300 WOR WWCW 3215  
Sat 1100 COM RFPI 6970  
Sat 1130 WOR RFPI 6970  
Sat 1130 WOR WWCW 15685  
Sat 1730 COM RFPI 15049  
Sat 1800 WOR RFPI 15049  
Sun 0130 COM RFPI 15049 6970  
Sun 0200 WOR RFPI 15049 6970  
Sun 0230 WOR WWCW 5070  
Sun 0630 WOR WWCW 5070  
Sun 0930 COM RFPI 6970  
Sun 1000 WOR RFPI 6970  
Sun 2300 WOR RFPI 15049  
Mon 0026 WOR WWCW 9475 [may shift to Sun 2330]  
Mon 0501 WOR WWCW 3210  
Mon 0700 WOR RFPI 6970  
Mon 1500 WOR RFPI 15049  
Tue 1100 WOR WWCW 15685  
Tue 1900 WOR RFPI 15049

Tue 2000 COM RFPI 15049  
Wed 0300 WOR RFPI 15049 6970  
Wed 0400 COM RFPI 15049 6970  
Wed 1100 WOR RFPI [suspended]  
Wed 1200 COM RFPI [suspended]  
Wed 1730 COM RFPI 15049

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WOR is also streamed when broadcast on WBCQ1 at <http://wbcq.com>  
WOR is also streamed (via SW pickup in USA) when on RFPI at  
<http://www.rfpi.org/webcast.html>

Glenn Hauser, inviting you to be a regular listener to WOR and COM

\*\* AUSTRALIA. This report from ABC News Online gives a little more information regarding the negotiations over RA's use of Darwin. CV is not saying an unequivocal ``no``, it seems; it's arguing that under the existing draft legislation approving its lease, CV would have to be responsible for everything broadcast from Darwin. It doesn't want to be, if it has to share. It's a fair point. From ABC News Online...

Christians hesitant to share air with ABC

A Christian broadcasting organisation says sharing air time with Radio Australia from the Cox Peninsula transmitters near Darwin would be difficult. The British evangelical Christian Voice has bought a 10-year lease on the former Radio Australia transmitters to broadcast to Asia. Director Mike Edmiston says he has been approached by the ABC about the idea of sharing air space with Radio Australia. He says under the legislation, Christian Voice would be responsible for everything that goes to air, which may be untenable to Radio Australia, as there may have to be some editorial input. ``Not necessarily control but on the other hand, we don't want to inherit a responsibility for what is said by Radio Australia, which is the way it's currently framed in draft legislation," he said.`` (via John Figliozzi, swprograms via DXLD)

[That last paragraph is an interesting and telling statement (at least to me) on several counts. First, it says that Christian Voice views its message as essentially benign (as underlined by other articles posted in this list carrying statements by CV principals) and is worried about political messages emanating from the same transmitters it is using that might be at odds with the message CV is

broadcasting. Second, it evidences some degree of misunderstanding on the part of CV about listeners, who will not confuse the stations because they are using the same transmitters since transmitters don't identify themselves (e.g., The ID won't be ``This is Radio Australia broadcasting from Christian Voice-leased transmitters.``).

Only a very few listeners (such as enthusiasts and hobbyists) will know or even care. Third, despite the evidently ``soft sell`` nature of the CV product, radical religious fundamentalist elements within the target countries will be energized and motivated by CV transmissions far more than CV or the Australian government realize. Those who argue the opposite point of view, IMHO, are wholly unfamiliar with the socio-political dynamics in this region of the world and its growing institutional instabilities and internal polarizations.

Fourth, there is obviously a great deal of maneuvering going on behind the scenes--perhaps pressure from elements within the Australian Parliament, perhaps of some even within the government, supportive of RA and the ABC, on CV to allow use by RA in exchange for approval of the lease agreement. CV's statement is probably a reaction to that pressure and an attempt to resist it. Ultimately, the question of whether and how RA will get access to Darwin is probably tied up with how badly CV wants use of Darwin and whether those elements supportive of RA in Parliament have enough clout to block approval of the lease if CV in the end refuses RA's entreaties. From Radio Australia's point of view, I can almost hear the newsreader choking as he reads this statement by CV. It must be a bitter pill to swallow to have to go hat in hand to a foreign corporation to gain its permission to gain limited use what was once its own facility and be presented with this insulting (to RA) statement.] (John Figliozzi, NY, swprograms via DXLD)

\*\* AUSTRALIA. What a waste of resources for the Darwin txs to be handed over to yet another religious sender. The Australian govt should be ashamed! Maybe the money they will receive means more than reaching an external audience by radio (Noël R. Green, UK, Jun 2, BC-DX via DXLD)

For example, the Australians should hold strict strong negotiations to hand out a contract with guarantee to get access for R Australia at this facility. Like the Greeks always have done with the US embassy in Athens to get free airtime for Greek Radio on Rhodes, former Thessaloniki and now Kavalla relay sites (Wolfgang B,schel, Germany, BC-DX via DXLD)

I think they preferred Christian Vision because this operator will carry meaningless stuff only, somewhat contrary to what at least a

part of Merlin customers do (Kai Ludwig, Germany, June 3, BC-DX via DXLD)

\*\* AUSTRALIA. From R. Australia's Feedback Friday June 2 at 2105: CV hopes to run tests from the end of August, and commence full programming from early September. They appear to see their initial primary audience in the Indian sub-continent, and will commence pxs in English only, as they like to have their stations running in a single language apparently. They feel as though they can fill up their primary airtime, 12-14 hrs to the ISC, with their own programmes, and seem unwilling to rent out their txers to anyone else other than inside these times, as they are able to fill these broadcasts themselves. In time, they will want to broadcast to mainland China, so will have to break their single language habit (unless they intend teaching all of China Hindi before they start their programmes) - they will make local language programmes for ISC as soon as they have hired the staff. The studios are based in London as you will know. (Phil Hodgson, Whitley Bay, UK, June 7, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* AUSTRALIA. Hi Glenn, Here is today's chapter of this saga from the Sydney Morning Herald. Fancy Radio Australia possibly negotiating to buy time on what was "stolen" from them by dumb politicians! Regards, (Barry Hartley, Auckland, NEW ZEALAND, June 7)

<http://www.smh.com.au/news/0006/07/national/national07.html>

Radio Australia may lease Darwin outlet  
By ANNE DAVIES

The ABC's shortwave radio service, Radio Australia, may be back broadcasting from its powerful Darwin transmitter after the Christian group which bought the facilities indicated it may sublease capacity to the national broadcaster.

The ABC chairman, Mr Donald McDonald, said yesterday he had written to the new owners of the Cox Peninsula site, Christian Voice, the Australian subsidiary of the United Kingdom-based Christian Vision, to ask if it would consider leasing excess capacity to the ABC. ``We have made an opening gambit, if you like, and I have sent a letter this morning to the chairman of Christian Voice, telling them we are anxious to talk with them.'' Mr McDonald told the ABC's The World Today program.

``This is a very significant window of opportunity which the ABC should seize. There are cost implications and we will need help and encouragement from the Government in that regard. But I think this is a moment full of possibilities for Radio Australia.'' he said.

The Government announced last week that it had sold equipment and leased the old Radio Australia shortwave facilities at Cox Peninsula to Christian Voice.

Christian Vision's Web site says it is ``a charitable company that God has challenged to touch a billion people with the message of Jesus`` through the media.

Christian Vision's Mr Tim Boxall said at the weekend that his organisation would be prepared to look at leasing out excess capacity at cost.

The subleasing deal for the Cox Peninsula transmitter would be a big boost to Radio Australia, allowing it to restart broadcasts to South-East Asia and China. But the key question for the ABC will again be funding.

A spokesman for the Communications Minister, Senator Alston, said the Government was happy for the ABC to negotiate but it was ``up to the ABC to pursue that``. He refused to comment on whether Government funds would be made available.

Radio Australia was all but axed after budget cuts made by the Coalition Government in 1996 and 1997.

A report into the ABC and its charter by Mr Bob Mansfield, now chairman of Telstra, found the ABC could not meet its international broadcasting aspirations without hurting its domestic service. Senator Alston backed the decision, saying shortwave technology was outdated.

But Radio Australia was rescued by the Department of Foreign Affairs, which provided enough funds to keep it broadcasting to the South Pacific from its transmitter in Victoria.

The signal also reaches Timor and some Indonesian broadcasts have continued. But the closure of the Cox Peninsula transmitter meant the service disappeared from most of South-East Asia.

When the Timor crisis erupted last year, the ABC boosted its reach into Indonesia by leasing two hours a day on a transmitter in Taiwan. Mr Boxall indicated at the weekend that Christian Voice would want to have ``strict editorial control`` over any broadcasts from its transmitter.

Mr McDonald said Christian Voice would be controlling the transmitters ``but they won't be controlling or influencing our programming. That would be fundamental to any discussions.``

The Cox Peninsula transmitter can support up to five channels, so it would be possible for the ABC to have an entirely separate channel from Christian Voice.

Senator Alston yesterday faced questioning in his party room on the issue. He said all applicants had passed the national interest test, including Christian Vision. (Sydney Morning Herald June 7 via Barry Hartley, DXLD)

\*\* AUSTRALIA. <http://www.smh.com.au/news/0006/07/text/national08.html>

We might be Christians, but we're no nut cases     Date: 07/06/2000

By SIMON MANN Herald Correspondent in London

Mr Bob Edmiston has spent millions of dollars spreading the Christian word over the world's airwaves, especially to Third World countries. The self-made British millionaire has explained his motivation through an imaginary conversation with his maker before the Gates of Heaven:

``God asks me what I did with my life and I tell him I made loads of money. Then God asks me what I did next and I said I made loads more money. I could see this conversation heading in a very bad direction.``

Mr Edmiston is the man behind the evangelistic broadcaster Christian Vision, which two weeks ago won the tender to lease the Cox Peninsula transmission facility, near Darwin, the old base for Radio Australia.

Now he is considering Radio Australia's request to Christian Vision for broadcast time from the Cox transmitter. But Mr Edmiston told the Herald yesterday that any deal would depend on ``what they want to broadcast and at what times``.

He dismissed as baseless suggestions that Christian Vision's message could offend Australia's Muslim neighbours.

The former bank clerk - whose pay packet of £6.5 million (almost \$17 million) made him Britain's second-best paid company director last year - built his fortune from a £6,000 investment 26 years ago.

The 53-year-old Mr Edmiston, who was raised a Roman Catholic but was drawn to the Pentecostals at 17, has poured in more than £30 million of his own money since he founded Christian Vision 12 years ago. He plans to commit up to £100 million.

Yesterday, he defended the group's latest move: ``We haven't even put a word out on air and we've been castigated. We're straightforward people who happen to have a sincere and profound faith in God. We're not a bunch of whacky nut-cases.``

Christian Vision already operates shortwave radio services in strife-torn central southern Africa and across Latin America, broadcasting to a potential audience of more than 700 million people. It runs a school in Zambia and funds missionaries in Third World countries. Ultimately, it wants five or so bases around the globe.

The West Bromwich-based entrepreneur, whose [Toyota] car-importing business and property interests are worth more than £300 million, said he was stunned by the political fallout ``because the fact of the matter is [Australia] hasn't been using the Cox site since '97.``

Mr Edmiston insists Christian Vision understands regional and cultural differences.

``Our objective is to introduce people to Jesus,`` Mr Edmiston said. ``Muslims regard Jesus and revere him as a prophet ... They believe he was a miracle worker, they believe he will come again and they don't even believe that Mohammad was the greatest prophet, just the last one.``

The group broadcasts a mix of Christian music and comment, education and health matters, news and entertainment.

``Of course there's a Christian bias or emphasis to it but it's not Bible thumping and stuffing it down people's throats because that wouldn't achieve anything,`` Mr Edmiston said. (Sydney Morning Herald via Daniel Say, swprograms via DXLD, WORLD OF RADIO 1039)

hmmm. Is Edmiston the guy who runs Stagecoach and had some odd campaigns in Scotland/England recently? The name seems familiar and it seems his ego must have surfaced before. (Daniel Say, swprograms via DXLD)

\*\* AUSTRALIA. Didn't see his name amongst current Stagecoach directors or senior management. Came across a brief profile at the Diocese of Lichfield newsletter, <http://www.lichfield.anglican.org/spot/mar00.htm>. A search of the Guardian Newspaper archives turned up a mention of him as one of the UK's largest philanthropists, <http://www.guardianunlimited.co.uk/Archive/Article/0,4273,3961640,00.html>. That article cites him as ``sole owner of car importers IM Group``. It appears the company is the importer of Toyotas for the

UK, according to a legal mention of an advertising challenge, which found the company's advertising to be OK. Very few other listings of relevance came up in a Google search. Edmiston's demeanor in the article Daniel Say quoted seems to be in line with HCJB's approach to evangelism, particularly when considering HCJB-produced programs. (Richard Cuff, Allentown, PA, swprograms via DXLD)

\*\* AUSTRALIA. From Tuesday's edition of The Australian:

Doubt on cash risk to radio over Asia  
By MICHELLE GILCHRIST 06jun00

RADIO Australia risks losing all shortwave radio coverage over most of South-East Asia in August when its temporary lease from a Taiwan transmitter expires, after both Radio Australia and the ABC said yesterday they had no money to renew the lease.

The new concerns about Radio Australia's Asian coverage came as Labor said yesterday it would attempt to guarantee the broadcaster's access to the Cox Peninsula shortwave transmitter in Darwin, which was sold last week to a religious broadcaster.

Radio Australia lost coverage over most of South-East Asia when the Cox transmitter was closed in 1997. Since last September, the Taiwan transmitter has provided two hours of shortwave transmission a day into an area including most of Indonesia west of Bali, Singapore, Malaysia and parts of The Philippines.

That area also receives a satellite broadcast of Radio Australia that can only be picked up by those with satellite dishes, which Radio Australia estimated yesterday was a "handful" of people.

Such dishes are illegal in some parts of Asia, including Singapore and Malaysia. Radio Australia is also transmitted by some local radio stations throughout Asia. But retransmission does not usually include news and current affairs, which are regarded as too controversial.

The Taiwan lease was negotiated last year after the fall of the Suharto government in Indonesia. Radio Australia also tried to negotiate airtime from a transmitter in Singapore but was rejected by the Singapore Government, which did not want to offend Indonesia.

Radio Australia general manager Jean-Gabriel Manguy said yesterday money to renew the Taiwan lease, which expires on August 31, would have to come from the ABC as Radio Australia had no budget allocation for such leases.



But the ABC yesterday referred to comments made by chairman Donald McDonald on Friday, when he said the Taiwan lease "constituted a budgetary drain that the ABC could not sustain indefinitely".

The ABC asked for extra money to cover Radio Australia's private leases in this year's federal Budget, a request that was rejected.

The Taiwan transmitter is operated by Merlin International, a former division of the BBC that also wanted to buy Cox Peninsula. But the Cox equipment, and a 10-year lease on its land, was sold last week to British evangelical group Christian Vision International.

Foreign Minister Alexander Downer said yesterday Radio Australia was serving the region well with satellite, internet and shortwave broadcasts. He also said he was not concerned that a Christian broadcaster would use Australia as its Asian base.

``Who does broadcast from Australia isn't so much the issue, it's what is broadcast,`` Mr Downer said.

``Provided the material isn't provocative and abusive of our neighbours, I don't see it as being a particular problem.`` (The Australian, June 6, via Paul Ormandy, NZ; and via John Figliozi, swprogrmas via DXLD)

[Personal aside : If Downer truly believes that the broadcasting of fundamentalist Christian programming from Australian soil into often volatile areas of the world where the populations are overwhelmingly Muslim, Hindu and Buddhist (or officially atheistic as in China) will not be viewed as provocative, then his perception of history and events in South and Southeast Asia is sorely lacking. This American observer wonders whether the lack of appreciation for the work and role of Radio Australia within the Australian Government stems from some illogical hubris or just plain stupidity.] (John Figliozi, swprograms via DXLD, WORLD OF RADIO 1039)

★★ AUSTRALIA. Excerpt of Canberra Times editorial, June 8:

The Federal Government does not seem to care that it has lost an unparalleled opportunity to have Australian views and Australian news beamed to its neighbours, by a respected practitioner operating according to the principles of a free press, at a time when misinformation about Australia's motives is rife in the region. The wild allegations which were made about Australia's real "agenda" in East Timor, at the time of the independence vote, showed clearly the need for a balanced and unbiased coverage of regional affairs, broadcast to the region.

At the same time, the Government seems incapable of realising that by leasing the Cox transmitter to an organisation which has the stated aim of spreading a narrow and judgmental Christian message into a (largely Muslim) part of the world already racked by considerable religious violence, it might not be acting in the best interests of a ostensibly secular and tolerant country like Australia. (via John Figliozi, swprograms via DXLD)

\*\* AUSTRALIA. RA's Feedback this week deals mostly with the CV issue, including an interview with Edmiston. Says he plans to add two more SW outlets after this to cover the world, for a total of five. Last airing is UT Sun June 11 at 0330; webcast <http://www.abc.net.au/ra> (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* AZERBAIJAN. R. Dada Gorgud noted on NF 6110 (ex 9165): 1600-1700 Arabic (44544) over Brother Stair. 1700-1730 English (45544) announced winter time & freq. 1730-1800 Russian (44544) over Swiss Radio International in German (Observer, Bulgaria, June 5 via DXLD)

\*\* BELARUS/RUSSIA. Mayak Belarus shortwave frequencies | Text of ``DX Club`` report via Voice of Russia web site on 2nd June

Radio Mayak from Moscow is relayed in Belarus between 1800 and 2100 [gmt] on feeder channels 2738 and 2829 kHz; between 1200 and 1400 on 4855 kHz; between 0300 and 1800 on 4982 and 5134 kHz. Broadcasting is in upper side band. Belarus Radio's 1st Programme can be heard from 0300 on the following frequencies: 6010, 6040, 6070, 6080, 6115, 6190, 7105, 7110, 7145, 7210 and 11960 kHz. The second republican programme is broadcast between 0400 and 2100 on 7265 kHz. Source: Voice of Russia web site, Moscow, in Russian 2 Jun 00 (via BBC Monitoring via DXLD)

\*\* BOLIVIA. 6134.78, Radio Santa Cruz 0923 June 9, Excellent signal during ad block with ID and public service announcements. Slight het from presumed R. Aparecida on 6135.1.

On 4702.23, Radio Eco 0022 June 9, Weak but clear signal. ``Eco San Borja`` canned ID. Spanish pop music (Mark Mohrmann, Coventry, VT, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* BOLIVIA. On 4702.4, Radio Eco San Borja, 2304-2320 June 3: Full ID: ``...Para Bolivia, Am rica y el mundo transmite Eco San Borja, 4700 kHz, banda internacional de 60 metros onda corta tropical, desde San Borja, Beni, contigo desde Beni...`` Advs. Violencia Familiar, Vicariato de Beni. After the pgm: El Servicio Social y El Mensaje.

On 4716.7, Radio Yura, 2324-0030 June 3: Mensajes y Avisos in SS, ``...La Parroquia de Yura informa que est n abiertos los cursos...

seguimos d·ndoles a concocer los avisos llegados a esta casa radial...`` then music with the grupo Eclipse (Cumbia Tropical). Continually they mention this QTH: Calle Sucre No. 69 and this Tel.: 24192, but I believe that it is not the address and telephone of the radio station, but of Yura's community center. Noted S/off @ 0125 (Rafael Rodríguez R., Bogotá, Colombia, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also PERU

\*\* CANADA. CFRX 6070 Toronto has been off the air for a while. It is back on now at 1859 UTC on May 30 (Joe Buch, DE, swprograms via DXLD)

\*\* CANADA. 6070 CFRX is back on the air after a short time off air due to damage to the antenna tuning unit. There is still some work to be done with the audio levels for CFRX. A new solid-state 50 KW transmitter is now in operation from CFRB 1010. The new solid-state transmitter is made by Nautel. They still use the old Continental transmitter. They switch between the two on a daily basis. (Steve Canney, Ont, Jun 7, Cumbre DX via DXLD)

\*\* CANADA. CFVP in Calgary, Alberta, Canada probably made its 100 watts signal through the aurora belt to Denmark with the direct path passing Nuuk on Greenland. 6030 CFVP Calgary (tentative), June 9, 0345-0400, faint signal coming through much noise on this frequency while SWR3, Germany was off. Most of the time fast talks in English with North American accent and one song. No ID heard, but Joe Talbot living 155 km north of the station a few weeks confirmed that it is broadcasting 24 hours a day relaying CKMX. SINPO here 22232 until SWR3 signed on exactly at 0400 and covered the frequency (Anker Petersen, Denmark, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* CANADA. RCI/CBC Preview for June 11: ROOTS & WINGS -- June is Accordion month on Roots & Wings, as Philly Markowitz celebrates the annual "free-reed" festival with a 2-part show featuring accordions and their kin from around the world. Born in Austria in 1829, the accordion quickly spread across Europe. Now it's heard in Latin America, Cajun Louisiana and much more: how about Cape Verde, Belize, Madagascar, Reunion Island, Pakistan, and Angola? You'll hear them all this week and next on Roots & Wings. And find out how to win a brand-new accordion of your own from RootsWorld, the free-reed festival's online host and sponsor. Sunday 2305-2359 on 5960, 9755, 11895, 13670, 15305, 17695 kHz. (CBC Hotsheet via Joe Buch, swprograms, via DXLD)

\*\* CHIAPAS [non]. La Voz del Zapatistas [sic]: 13910/U, \*2214-2220+, 3-June; Rerun ``Panorama de Chiapas`` px; M&W/SS cmtry on Mex province; SIO=353 (Harold Frodge, MI, MARE Tipsheet via DXLD) KIPM, Illuminati Prima Materia (Lula & e-mail) 13910/U, 6/3 2112-0006; marathon session; pxs included Electro Magnetic Madness, Voice

of Chiapas (Zapatistas) in SS, Strange Cargo & The Truth. I checked again at 0127 & KIPM was still on with px Secret Bonus Show. 454  
Lula: Box 24, Lula GA, 30554; KIPM: kipm\_outerlimits@hotmail.com  
(Charles Crawford, Henderson KY, Free Radio Weekly via DXLD)

\*\* CHIAPAS [non]. CBC/RCI preview for June 10: GLOBAL VILLAGE -- Jowi Taylor has reports from a Free Reed Fest in cyberspace... music for Chiapas recorded in Canada, and a Haitian group that's been denied the chance to tour North America. Saturday 2305 on 5960, 9755, 11895, 13670, 15305, 17695 (CBC Hotsheet via Joe Buch, swprograms via DXLD)

\*\* COSTA RICA. RFPI Mailbag first airing June 2, but monitored June 6 at 1930 said the buzz on 6970 recently was due to a faulty tube socket, traced with some difficulty and replaced. A new crystal has been ordered for 15049 which it is hoped will put it actually on 15050 in a few weeks. It may be a month before USB transmitter is back, waiting on parts. RFPI is happy that \$10K worth of solar and wind power equipment has been delivered, thanks to a grant from Rotary. It comes from Sun Systems in Florida, highly recommended. Includes wind generators, and solar panels. This will be enough to supply office power during blackouts, but not to run the big transmitter.

The following Mailbag, first airing 2000 UT Friday June 9 with James and Debra Latham, after a transmission outage during COM/WOR, revealed that everything is torn up, totally disrupted at the station at the moment with a LAN computer network system being installed. There have been lots of power outages throughout the region the last few days. When the LAN is installed, RFPI will then be able to stream direct onto the Internet, rather than via the current SW pickup in the USA, and RFPI will no longer be constrained by a very slow dialup-only Internet connexion.

RFPI is caught in a dilemma: needs to get on an expanded AM band frequency soon, and has inquired about US AM transmitters, but would take some time to obtain. Discussed converting a SW transmitter, but do not want to disrupt present SW by converting 10 or 30 kW unit, so may do it with the 3 kW transmitter, which is off the air and needing rebuilding. Have leads on a large 50 kW transmitter later. So the USB 3 kW unit will not resume right away. May get some new SSB equipment from the US for that purpose instead. Disruptions at the office are occasionally interrupting the studio-transmitter link. Tearing up the floor/ceiling to install LAN also reduces the soundproofing. Looks like Global Community Forum may do an open forum live call-in show this coming Thursday evening, UT Fri June 16 at 0200; listen for further announcements. Depends on whether the 800 number be working.  
(notes by gh for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* EGYPT. Radio Kairo with Arabic to South America after 2330 from Abis on 15590 and 17770 was suffering from a badly working noise gate, a unit which is used to mute noisy feed circuits when they have no audio. This noise gate did not open properly, resulting in just shreds of audio coming through. I am rather certain that the infamous audio on 9900 is caused by a similar malfunction, too; actually disappointing that they do not manage to solve such a minor problem (Kai Ludwig, Germany, June 8, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* EUROPE. Sunday June 11 Radio Geronimo will be testing on 31 metres 9330 kHz. The xmsn will commence at 0930 UTC. Reception reports are more than welcome via: Geronimo, 64 Brighton Road, Leicester LE5 0HA, UK or you can write to P.O.Box 2727, 6049 ZG Herten, Netherlands. (via Free Radio Weekly via DXLD)

\*\* FINLAND. YLE has English hour UT Sun 0000 on 11985, back on at 0100 with English mailbag program ``Echo``, 0109 into Latin (Bob Thomas, CT, June 3, DX LISTENING DIGEST) //13770 (gh)

\*\* FINLAND(?)/SAHARA [non]. Here in Finland I heard pirate Q103 on 10330 kHz USB last weekend. Realaudio file:  
<http://www.ute-monitor.org/mfa/pirateQ103.rm> Their web site:  
[http://members.xoom.com/\\_XMCM/Q103.1/index.htm](http://members.xoom.com/_XMCM/Q103.1/index.htm) Coming programmes of Q103: The next transmissions will be as follows: June 10th and 11th June 17th and 18th Saturdays at 20.00 - 21.30 UTC on 10330 kHz USB; Sundays at 07.00 - 09.00 UTC on 10330 kHz USB and 10.00 - 12.00 UTC on 7510 kHz USB During weekends (Sat/Sun). Q 103 might be on air even for 20 hours if conditions allow.

VOIS (Voice of Independent Sahara) programmes are transmitted on 10330 kHz and 6969 kHz during the summer. Reception reports for VOIS broadcasts must be sent to Q103 - we will take care of the further transport. E-mail address for reception reports: saharadio@gmx.ch Additional VOIS programmes will be re-broadcast during our programmes (Risto Harjula, Finland, June 7, hard-core-dx via DXLD, WORLD OF RADIO 1039)

Rather odd that in picking a WOOB frequency it would happen to coincide with the multi-site outlets of All India Radio (gh)

\*\* FRANCE? On 17620 25.5 1000 UNID. My receiver was adjusted to Hawaii when I for some curious reason started to rotate the knob. On this frequency I noted a ``test transmission for RDM Mundial`` [sic] in EE and the a short piece of music and then s/off. Curiously I checked the next day, May 26 at the same time. Exactly at 1000 s/on with music and the ID in FF, SS, PP and probably Dutch. Ici Radio Diffusion Mondiale, RDM" Ö Between the IDs bossanova-like music and sign/off 10.07. Not noted after that. What is this? Is more than

France here? RFI starts its transmissions at 11.00. Maybe the solution is simple and I, due to little DX-ing lately, know nothing. That it is a test is obvious because ``someone tuned the knobs`` and in between the speech was heavily overmodulated which made it difficult to hear what was said despite I taped the transmission. Q4. (B^rge Eriksson, [Sweden?], SW Bulletin translated by Thomas Nilsson for DXLD) Or was it DRM = Digital Radio Mondiale? (gh)

\*\* IRAN. No two versions of VIRI's schedule match each other. Here's one, excerpted: (gh)

Summer A-00 schedule of VoIROI [new frequencies marked #]

Arabic includes:

(Voice of Islamic Palestinian Revolution) 0330-0430 7290#, 9610

(Voice of Islamic Revolution of Iraq) 0330-0530 9685#, 9745#, 11730, 13615#

English

0030-0130 9022, 9835#, 11970

1100-1230 15385#, 15430, 15585#, 21470#, 21730#

1530-1630 7115#, 9635, 11775

1930-2030 9022, 9575#, 11670#

2130-2230 11740, 13745

Spanish

0030-0230 9515, 9650, 13755#

0130-0230 9560#;

0230-0330 13605

0530-0630 17590#, 17785#

2030-2130 9022, 11765

(Observer, Bulgaria, June 5 excerpted for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* KYRZYZ REPUBLIC. No change in Kyrgyz Republic's name, parliamentary press service says: Text of report by the Kyrgyz news agency Kabar on 29th May

Bishkek, 29th May: Giving the Russian language official status has not changed the Kyrgyz Republic's name, as reported in the Russian media, in particular, on the ``Vremya`` news programme. The Kyrgyz Republic retains its previous name and the law on giving the Russian language official status, which has been adopted, has not changed the republic's name. According to the press service of the Legislative Assembly [standing chamber] of the Kyrgyz parliament, on 25th May, this chamber adopted a law of the Kyrgyz Republic on an official language of the Kyrgyz Republic. Article One of this law reads: ``The Russian language is an official language in the Kyrgyz Republic. This law does not apply to relations dealing with the use of the Kyrgyz

language as state language, which has a special status established in the Constitution of the Kyrgyz Republic and in the law on state language in the Kyrgyz Republic.` [quotation marks and ellipses as given] On 29th May, the speaker of the Legislative Assembly, Abdygany Erkebayev, sent the adopted law to the president of the Kyrgyz Republic for signing. According to the Kyrgyz president's press service, President Askar Akayev has already signed this law today and it comes into force on the territory of Kyrgyzstan following its publication in the press. As regards the changing of the republic's name, there was no question about this at all at the Legislative Assembly, the Kyrgyz parliament's press service said. Source: Kabar news agency, Bishkek, in Russian 1018 gmt 29 May 00 (via Dave Kenny, BBC Monitoring via DXLD, WORLD OF RADIO 1039)

\*\* MAURITIUS. Mauritius NOT to return to shortwave

Some of you may remember hearing Mauritius on 4855 and 9710 kHz. I note that these frequencies were last listed in the 1987 edition of the WRTM, although my recollection is that the station had disappeared from shortwave a year or more before then. More recently there were rumours of a return to SW, but the following extract from the MBC's web site - <http://mbc.intnet.mu> - makes it clear that this is not to be. However, the web site does offer live audio and archived video from the MBC, so the island is easier to hear now than ever before. (Chris Greenway, UK, DXLD)

TO DX LISTENERS - SHORT WAVE AND MEDIUM WAVE

The Mauritius Broadcasting Corporation were transmitting on SW on 4.85 MHz and 9.71 MHz from Mauritius using a 10 kW Philips transmitter. We had to stop transmission for more than 10 years now because the transmitter was old and spare parts were not available. This SW transmission was meant for Rodrigues Island mainly. Moreover, as we now have a MW-AM transmission on 1206 kHz at Citronelle in Rodrigues, SW transmission from Mauritius is not a priority, the more so that SW transmission is very expensive and erratic.

We thanks DX Listeners for their QSL cards confirming MBC MW-AM transmission, thanks to sky wave propagation at night.

Unfortunately, we cannot satisfy SW listeners.

Our MW transmission on 684 kHz - 1 kW (RM 1), 819 kHz - 1 kW (RM 2) and 1575 kHz - 500 W (BBC World Service) and 1206 kHz - 1 kW (Radio Rodrigues) use radiating mast as transmitting antenna.

We wish you good reception on MW. (via Chris Greenway, June 5, DX LISTENING DIGEST) I believe we quoted or referenced this identical

page some months ago, but tnx for the reminder (gh)

\*\* MONGOLIA. 12085, Voice of Mongolia, English June 7 at 1030-1100 and presumed Mongolian 1100-1130 still coming thru to Northeast Ohio! Very unusual to hear them after mid-May! (Lee Silvi, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* NICARAGUA. According to a personal letter from Evaristo Mercado P., Director of Radio Miskut dated May 17, 2000, the damaged parts for SW transmitter have been repaired by John Freeman, and the parts will come to the station in June/July.

Another news is that a satellite system was installed by VOA in February. Inauguration ceremony was officially conducted on April 4 by the US Ambassador (Tetsuya Hirahara, Japan, May 29, DX LISTENING DIGEST, WORLD OF RADIO 1038) ? How does this relate to Miskut? (gh)

\*\* NIGER. Now back on 5020: L V du Sahel yesterday at 2104 with a musical program (told by speaker) but speaker with continuous talks before and between songs. Indirect IDs, Exact freq 5020.22, -25 Signal 32333, mean and max S9 better at 2130 with S9+10 at max (Zacharias Liangas, Greece, WORLD OF RADIO 1039, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* NIGER. 5020.8 La Voix du Sahel, Niamey, June 8, 2150-2202\*, reactivated after 5 months absence, news in French, flute and muslim prayer, closing announcement with ID, flute and National Hymn. Very strong 45444 (Anker Petersen, Denmark, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* PAKISTAN. 15100.39, Radio Pakistan with English news at 1605. Fair reception. No parallels noted today June 4 (Walt Salmaniw, BC, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* PALESTINE [non]. Voice of Palestine, Voice of the Palestinian Islamic Revolution (Arabic: sawtal-filistin, sawt al-thawrah al-islamiyah al-filistiniyah) operates from Iran. It was first heard in the mid-1980s. Programmes are critical of the Palestinian Authority. It broadcasts on frequencies which at other times carry the the Arabic external service of Voice of the Islamic Republic of Iran (the official Iranian broadcasting organization). Broadcasts MAY be one hour LATER in WINTER. 0330-0430 Daily in ARABIC to ME on 7.250 9.610 (© BBC Monitoring May 31, condensed for DX LISTENING DIGEST, WORLD OF RADIO 1039)

\*\* PERU. 4663v TENT. Radio Universo alias ``Radio Cielo``, Cajabamba (?), Depto. de Cajamarca (?), (Peru). May 2000 [exact dates not given -gh] - 1030 UTC. This is a case like R. Tigre, which I have reported several times.. This one has neglected to give clues on location of the transmitting site. I logged this station for the first time in



Oct 99 on 6705v and the month thereafter on 5768v. All the time the station gives ID as ``R Cielo`` with variations. 27 of May I was surprised by a great ID as: ``Estamos en calidad de prueba ... de Cajabamba, transmite Radio Universo``. At two more occasions two short ``Radio Universo`` IDs. Another minor clue: ``Radio Cielo para todos los norteños`` (``Norteño`` = in this case person living in the north of Per). Note that this station is still TENT. ``Calidad de prueba`` means test transmission (free translation). What the correct name of the station is we will find out when this long ``test transmission`` is finished. (Björn Malm, Quito, Ecuador, SW Bulletin, translated by Thomas Nilsson for DXLD, WORLD OF RADIO 1039)

\*\* PERU. On 4577.5, Radio Uno, 0230-0250 June 4: Beginning the program Expresión Popular... ``un programa dedicado a los hombres de la costa, de la selva, de la sierra...`` hosted by Pablo Sánchez.

On 4714.8v, Radio Cielo, 0135-0208 June 4: Noted after close of Radio Yura [BOLIVIA, q.v.] with Mexican music and ID Taped. ``...en tu compañía Radio Cielo, Radio Cielo, Radio Cielo... Costa, Sierra y Selva sintonizan Radio Cielo... Están sintonizando Radio Cielo, Radio Cielo...`` This is a new Peruvian station reported by Dyer Arruntegui. No TC, no live speaker, no mentions of location.

On 5470.7, Radio San Nicolás, 0135-0150\* June 4: Music in SS with Baladas and Rock en Español. Noted Full S/off at 0147. ``... Radio San Nicolás llega al final de sus emisiones, esperamos haberlos acompañado durante toda la mañana, tarde y noche; transmitimos desde la provincia más fértil del Departamento de Amazonas, Rodríguez de Mendoza. A nombre de nuestro señor gerente, personal administrativo, operadores y locutores de nuestra emisora, agradecemos muy de veraz su cordial sintonía. Mañana iniciamos una nueva transmisión con nueva música, nuevas noticias, nuevos saludos, siempre en la gran sintonía de su emisora favorita Radio San Nicolás. Por hoy día muchísimas gracias, muy buenas noches y que Dios los bendiga...`` N.A.

On 6520.5, Radio Paucartambo, 0230-0302\* June 3: Folk mx and listener's phone call. S/off at the 0258: ... ``Un nuevo día llega a su fin.... para recibir la señal de Radio Paucartambo, emisora municipal, desde la región Cusco, República del Perú...``, prayer, no anthem.

On 6956.9, Radio La Voz del Campesino, 2130-2210 June [date missing]: Folk mx, timecheck ``4 de la tarde con 35 minutos en RVC, Radio La Voz del Campesino, llegando con la mejor música de Proyección 2000...`` Mentions that Gerente Propietario is Profesor Luis Hernando Huancas Huancas, who was owner of Radiodifusora Paratún de Huarmaca. Now this person is Huarmaca's Mayor. ``...RVC, Radio La Voz del Campesino, sinónimo de grandeza como el Paratún...`` (Rafael

Rodríguez R., Bogotá, Colombia, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also BOLIVIA

\*\* ROMANIA. 9690, Radio Romania Int'l, English to Europe fairly audible in Northeast Ohio from 2300 - 2359 on 9690 // 11830 // 11775 // 15105. 9690 to Europe is not usually audible here but was fair to good this date June 3, and 15105 was much better than usual (Lee Silvi, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* SOLOMON ISLANDS. Fighting keeps mediumwave broadcasts off air | Text of report by Radio Australia on 6th June

Opposing militia groups in Solomon Islands are continuing a battle near the international airport, 10 kilometres east of the capital, Honiara. Members of the Malaita Eagle Force, who have armed themselves with automatic weapons they took from the main police armoury in Honiara yesterday, have engaged militants from Guadalcanal who hold most of the island outside the capital. The news editor at Solomon Islands Broadcasting Corporation, (?Walter Nalangu), told Sean Dorney the station's mediumwave broadcasts had had to be abandoned because SIBC technicians could not reach a transmitter near the airfield which had broken down. [Nalangu] They are still fighting, exchanges of fire going on around that area between members of the Isatabu Freedom Movement and the joint forces [presumably reference to the paramilitary police as well as the Malaita Eagle Force]. Our technical boys have been up there less than an hour ago and they can't get through to our transmitter site because of the shooting that is going on around that area. So it's pretty unsafe at the moment to go that far. Source: Radio Australia, Melbourne, in English 0700 gmt 6 Jun 00 (via BBC Monitoring via DXLD)

\*\* SOLOMON ISLANDS. Given the current situation in the Solomon Islands, I have had occasion over the past few nights to tape Solomon Islands radio on 5020 kHz from about 1030 to about 1200 UTC, when the signals here have been readily audible. It certainly makes for some fascinating listening, to see how the national radio station in that nation has decided what role to take in the current ethnic-based conflict. While I have not been a regular listener of Radio Solomon Islands over the years, it seems to me that there has been more religious based programming lately than is commonly the case, and many references to a ``jubilee celebration`` taking place in the north of the main island as a focus of religious activities. There have been numerous appeals by national religious leaders and by government spokespersons for calm, as well as appeals originating with the Red Cross to respect ethnic diversity in the country. Of course, much more detail about the conflict and the response of various nations in the vicinity (such as the arrival of an Australian naval vessel to evacuate foreign nationals, and the rumours, later denied, that the Australians were charging individual evacuees for

their services) has been available than through any other news source I am aware of here. All of which continues to demonstrate the tremendous value and relevance of the shortwave medium as an active agent for change in places where conflict exists or where local authorities want to get the word out. Cheers, (b. cooley, BC, June 9, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* SOLOMON ISLANDS. 5019.92, Solomon Islands Broadcasting Corporation is on the air. I monitored them 8 June at 0753 with a lot of noise/splatter from Cuba's Radio Rebelde on 5025. Not particularly strong (the previous night was stronger), but included a long talk by a woman, lots of mentions of Honiara and Guadalcanal. This was followed by John Lennon's Give Peace a Chance. Faded up from poor to fair. (Walt Salmaniw, BC, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* SOLOMON ISLANDS. 5020, SIBC Honiara continues to be heard well into the 4th day of the takeover of the capital by members of the Malaitan Eagles militant force on Monday. While international media is full of reports that telephone communications with the island are cut, we DXers and SWLs can tune in to hear how the island crisis is being reflected on SIBC. An ABC (Australia) news report forwarded by Matt Francis Wednesday quotes SIBC's news editor saying some of the station's broadcasts had been abandoned because technicians could not fix a transmitter near the airfield which had broken down. I would guess this must apply to 1035 AM as am continuing to hear 5020 from 0700 UTC fade in past 1100 and from morning sign-on at 1830.

To my ear, the style and format of SIBC broadcasts has not noticeably changed since the attempted coup. There is the friendly 'Radio Hapi Isles' intro at 1830, and a lively music mix until the first daily SIBC news bulletin is at 1900 in Pidgin, followed by "Morning Report" also in Pidgin. However most actuality items carried are in English. At 1905 Monday (morning after the invasion of Honiara) I was able to hear militants spokesman Andrew Nori and a Solomons MP speaking at a press conference until SIBC's signal fades out with our local daylight around 1945 UTC. An English news broadcast is scheduled for 2000 UTC. Evening broadcasts heard over the past 24 hours include English news at 0700 UTC and a BBC News relay at 1100 UTC. The latter was complete with reportage on the Solomons crisis. As I type this (1900 UTC June 7) the morning news in Pidgin is underway. But oddly at this time there is a heterodyne on the usually clear clear 5020. (Bryan Clark, New Zealand, Cumbre DX via DXLD)

\*\* SOLOMON ISLANDS. 5020, R. Solomons has been taking a very low key approach to the recent events over there. Programming has been normal, with music shows and the BBC relay at 1100 continuing as usual. News & current affairs shows have been talking about the events, but it certainly isn't the blanket coverage one would expect

if it was happening in our countries. The station has been remaining on later than its 1200 listed s/off, heard past 1230 - though it does not appear to be 24 hours as last night it was off air at 1610 check. (Richard Jary, Australia, Cumbre DX via DXLD)

\*\* SOLOMON ISLANDS. From the ABC Online news service: ``A gun battle between members of the MEF and the rival Isatabu Freedom Movement (IFM) had been reported near the Solomons' airport, about 10 kilometres east of the capital, Honiara. Walter Nalangu, the news editor at the Solomon Islands Broadcasting Corporation, says some of the station's broadcasts had been abandoned because technicians could not fix a transmitter near the airfield which had broken down.`` (Matt Francis, Darwin, Australia, Electronic DX Press via DXLD)

\*\* SOLOMON ISLANDS [non]. RNZI Preview for June 11: Sun. 0806 on 11720 - SOUNDS HISTORICAL with Jim Sullivan. This week: RNZAF in Guadalcanal Battle, June 12, 1943 (via John Figliozi, swprograms via DXLD)

\*\* SPAIN. QSL rejection letter because I didn't include SINPO or SIO code. Also sent report form and attachment of their QSL policy. Policy requires time, date, frequency, sufficient pgm detail and language, and assessment of reception that ``must be`` in SINPO or SIO code. It should also include listener's location and receiving equipment, and personal data. Report form asks for age group - under 25, 25-45, 45-70, over 70, antenna type, receiver and whether it is analog or digital, and profession.

The Spanish Inquisition lives! ;-) Nothing of this policy appears on their web page that has the address for reception reports! I don't use SINPO due to its arbitrary nature - it usually varies with antenna type. I describe reception quality instead. I have QSLed over 50 countries without a rejection till now. They need to re-name their dept. of audience relations to dept. of audience frustration. ;-) 2nd attempt. (Larry Russell, MI, MARE June 9 via DXLD)

\*\* SWEDEN. Dear Friends, Starting from today, Radio Sweden and Teracom AB put an additional frequency on air at 03.00-04.00 UTC (first half hour Swedish and second half hour English) in order to improve reception in North America. The new one, 15245 kHz, will complement 9495 kHz and reports of these two are very much welcomed, especially those comparing the two frequencies. Reports will be verified with a special QSL-card and a number of T-shirts will be given away to some of the reporters. Report could be sent to (e-mail and fax preferred): e-mail: magnus.nilsson@teracom.se fax: +46 8 55542060 mail: Att: HF Frequency Planning Uf Teracom AB P.O. Box 17666 SE-11892 Stockholm Sweden Naturally, also reports can be sent direct to Radio Sweden. Yours sincerely, (Magnus Nilsson, Teracom AB,

June 6, hard-core-dx via DXLD, WORLD OF RADIO 1039)

\*\* SWEDEN. R. Sweden's new 15245 quite good on first outing, 0330 UT Wed June 7, but //9495 was just as good. About the same following nights. 15245 certainly a good choice during the summer, tho (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* SWEDEN. 15245, Radio Sweden testing to North America on this frequency at 0300 to 0330 in Swedish, and to 0400 in English. A superior frequency to parallel 9495, but only marginally. Excellent on the former, and very good on the latter, with MediaScan program. Asked for reports at the end of the broadcast. 15245 cut out in mid sentence at 0357 June 7 (Walt Salmaniw, BC, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* TIMOR EAST. Antonio, 4W6GH, continues to be the most active station here. Most of his activity is on 20/17/15 meters SSB and RTTY. He spends a great deal of time on the air between 1300 and 1630z. There have been reports on the PacketClusters where there are "NO TAKERS or NOT MANY CALLING HIM". QSL CT1EGH. (KB8NW/OPDX June 5/BARF-80 via John Norfolk, OKCOK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* UKRAINE. RUI, 13590, May 27 and June 3 0300 with IS, English programming, ID, news, program about Ukrainian culture, local music; strong, a regular past several weeks (Brian Alexander, PA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* UKRAINE. RUI English to NAm at 0300 on 13590 pretty faithful so far, fair to good here (Bob Thomas, CT, June 3, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* UKRAINE. 13590: I'm still not 100% sure about this frequency. It was weakly heard at sign-off of the English hour at 0358 with fair level. At 0400, signal is definitely weaker, with IS into Ukrainian. Presumably the same (?100kw) transmitter, but a different beam heading. Still RUI is unusable here until the 1000 kW tx return. (Volodya Salmaniw, BC, 7 June, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* U.K. / JERSEY. Chris, G0WfH, will be here August 12-22nd using the rare "International Short Wave League" (ISWL) club callsign GH4BJC/P. This will be a QRP trip on SSB only using a Elecraft K2 rig running on batteries on the north side of the island called Devils Hole. Suggested frequencies are: 3685 (at 1500z, ISWL net Sat/Sun), 14280, 18130, 21280, 24930 and 28450 kHz. Check out his Web page for more details at: <http://www.qsl.net/g0wfh/g0wfh> (KB8NW/OPDX June 5/BARF-80 via John Norfolk, OKCOK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* U S A. Is WSHB relaying BBC World Service? Yesterday morning, I received a reply from WSHB station manager C. Ed Evans regarding my posting last week about the possibility that WSHB relayed the BBCWS

from 1127 to 1225 UTC, May 29 and 30 on 9715. Here's his reply,  
quoted in its entirety. (Jim Moats, OH, June 6, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

`` During the week of May 21, we were relaying RNW programs while the  
Bonaire station underwent repairs. We were scheduled to stop these  
broadcasts on May 26, but through an operator error, we did broadcast  
on the RNW frequencies on May 29 and 30.`` (via Jim Moats, NE Ohio,  
DXLD) Err, that was not the question asked... (gh)

\*\* U S A. Just thought you might like to know... Today (6 7 2000) at  
17:45 EDST I happened on a broadcast of Family Radio at 15 MHz.  
directly competing with WWV. This is the first time that I have  
happened to have heard a time interval covered by a commercial  
broadcaster. The signal strength and quality of both signals was  
quite good. I use a RS DX 392 with a 75' longwire antenna. I recorded  
about 20 minutes of the broadcast. (Past the top of the hour WWV ID).  
Keep up the good work, Glenn..... we'll be listening.

Brother X and Bittersweet - Complex Variables Studio -  
``Hear Now`` and ``Le Bon Bon Club`` / WBCQ 7.415 MHz  
Saturdays 10pm Eastern - Midnight = 2 - 4 hours UTC  
``We've Got Trouble Now`` / WBCQ  
Fridays 6:30 - 7 PM Eastern = 22:30 - 23 hours UTC  
(Regina Ketter) I checked 15000 a couple hours later, but no WYFR.  
Wonder how this happened? (gh)

\*\* U S A. Hi, Glenn. Was just doing a little net surfing and  
came across this interesting website. Don't know if you are aware of  
it. Some interesting material. National Association of Shortwave  
Broadcasters <http://www.shortwave.org> (Sheldon Harvey, Greenfield  
Park, Quebec, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Of note is that certain national  
SW broadcasters are not members of this, but they sure have a nice  
URL (gh, DXLD)

\*\* U S A. Doug Garlinger, Director of Engineering at LeSea  
Broadcasting, has appeared on ``Strip Poker``. We happened to be  
tuning across USA Network UT Sat June 10 around 0320 when we spotted  
him captioned briefly, evidently doing a testimonial for CIE, tho the  
sound was muted, during a commercial break. Being basic cable, even  
the last ten minutes of the show itself could not go far enough to  
justify the title, but still... (gh, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* VIETNAM. VOV in En, Ru, Vn, Vn, En, Fr, En, Fr, Sp, En, Fr, 1600-  
2130 on 9730 and spurious signals as follows:  
plus 10 kHz 9790, 9780, 9770, 9760, 9750, 9740;  
minus 10 kHz 9720, 9710, 9700, 9690, 9680, 9670.  
(Observer, Bulgaria, via DXLD, WORLD OF RADIO 1039)

\*\* WESTERN SAHARA [non]. Radio of Arabian Sahara Democratica noted again on short wave from May 24. 1800-1900 and 2300-2400 Spanish, 1900-2300 Ar on NF 7497.3/7498.2/7500.0 under R. Bulgaria in Bulgarian to Eu til 2100. Very good reception from 2100 SINP0 (45554). (Observer, Bulgaria, June 5 via DXLD) But now on 7460.00 (ex7100.00) (Wolfgang B,schel, Germany, June 10, DXLD)

\*\* WESTERN SAHARA [non}. The SADR (Polisario) radio was back on 7460 kHz (ex 7100, 7500) this morning at the extended time of 0600-0800. Also noted this evening on 7460, in the clear. Meanwhile, Morocco was wasting its time tonight with a jamming relay on 7470 (// 15345). (Chris Greenway, UK, June 6, WORLD OF RADIO 1039, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

\*\* ZAMBIA. R. Christian Voice, 4965, May 27-28 2345-0257\* | Tune-in to US contemporary Christian, gospel music, IDs, English religious talk. Abruptly off at 0257. Weak to poor. A regular the past several weeks; also heard June 3 at 0100-0257\* (Brian Alexander, PA, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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